

Comprehensive Highway Safety Plan (CHSP)

Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)

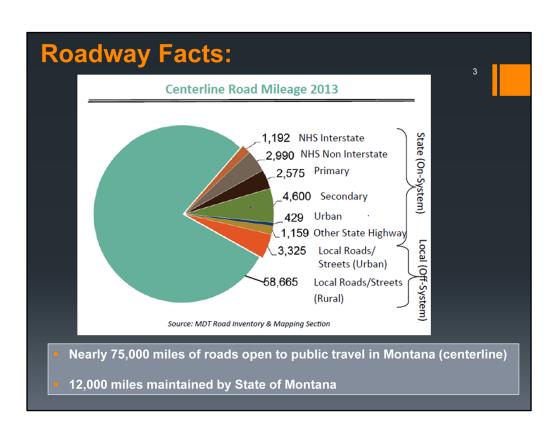
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Roadway Facts:

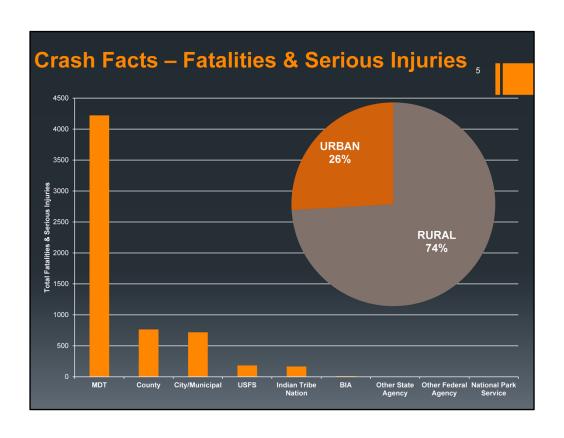
Total of 74,600 miles of roads open to public travel in Montana (centerline miles):

- Over 12,000 miles maintained by State of Montana
- 3,170 miles of urban routes (324 miles maintained by MDT)
- 5,600 miles of total roadway on the Tribal Reservations (1,124 miles maintained by MDT)



Crash Facts (2011-2015):

- 104,500 total crashes statewide in a 5-year period.
- Over 6,200 fatalities and serious injuries.
 - 2010 Census Population Figures:
 - Laurel 6,700 people
 - Whitefish 6,300 people
 - Blaine County 6,491 people



Montana Comprehensive Highway Safety Plan (CHSP)



- •Initiated in 2006 and amended in 2010. Updated in May 2015.
- Collaborative and data driven.
- ■Vision: "VisionZero Zero Deaths, Zero Serious Injuries"

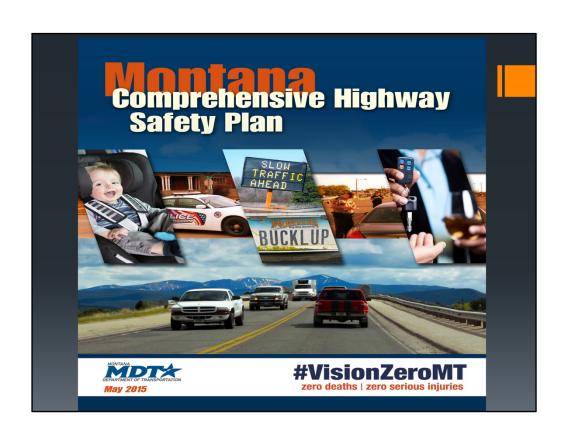
MDT took the lead in developing Montana's first Comprehensive Highway Safety Plan (CHSP). However, highway safety is not the responsibility of a single agency and the CHSP is a collaborative, data-driven approach to reducing fatalities on Montana's highways.

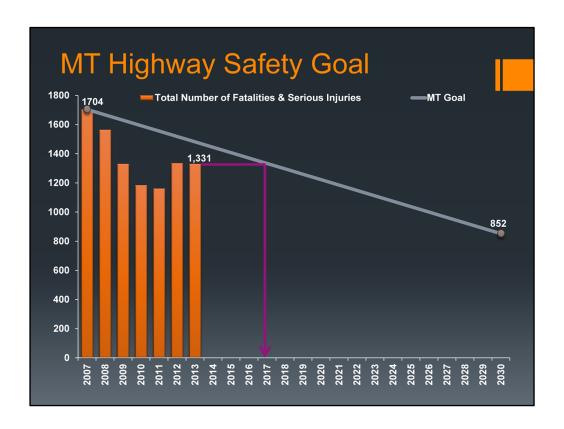
The vision used to be in the previous plan is "All highway users arrive safely at their destination". The current vision is "VisionZero – Zero Deaths, Zero Injuries"

The older plan included 12 emphasis areas that were identified by analyzing the crashes on the roads in our

- 1. Increase safety belt use to 90% 2. Reduce alcohol and drug impaired crashes
- 3. Reduce Native American fatal crashes 4. Reduce run off the road crashes
- 5. Address high crash corridors 6. Reduce number of young driver crashes
- 7. Reduce older driver crashes
- 8. Reduce large vehicle and bus crashes
- 9. Reduce crashes in Urban areas 10. Improve data coordination and accessibility
- 11. Reduce motorcycle crashes
- 12. Improve the delivery of emergency medical services

The current plan has been reduced to three emphasis areas: Roadway Departure/Intersections; Impaired Driving; Occupant Protection





At the CHSP Annual Meeting in 2009, all the traffic safety stakeholders present agreed that the long-range highway safety goal for MT would be to cut the number of fatalities and serious/incapacitating injuries in half, with a baseline of 1,704 (2007 data).

The grey line is a linear depiction of how the total number of fatalities and serious injuries would need to decrease between 2007 and 2030 in order to meet our goal. The orange bars are the actual number of fatalities and serious injuries that occurred on MT highways in the last four years.

Montana CHSP Emphasis Areas



- Roadway Departure/Intersections
- Impaired Driving
- Occupant Protection

Roadway Departure Crash Trends



- Roadway departure crashes account for about 20 percent of all people involved in crashes, but 67 percent of fatalities
- The vast majority (96 percent) of roadway departure fatalities and serious injuries occur in rural areas
- Roadway departure fatalities and severe injuries are overrepresented compared to the population among younger drivers (ages 15-34)

Intersection Crash Trends

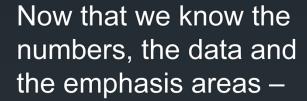
- Intersection crashes represented 13 percent of fatalities and 24 percent of serious injuries from 2004 to 2013.
- Nearly 50% of intersection fatalities and serious injuries occur in urban areas.
- Overrepresented by drivers age; 15-34
- The most common factor of intersection crashes is driver distraction - contributes to nearly half of intersection fatalities and severe injuries.

Impaired Driving Crash Trends 12

- 8 percent of people involved in all crashes but 47 percent of all fatalities and 29 percent of serious injuries.
- 2/3 of impaired driving fatalities and serious injuries involve roadway departure. More than half of impaired driving fatalities and serious injuries involve distraction, lack of occupant projection, and unlighted conditions.
- 18 percent of impaired driving fatalities and serious injuries involve persons ages 15-20, under the legal drinking age.

Occupant Protection Crash Trends

- Unrestrained occupants are significantly overrepresented in fatal and serious injury crashes: compared to all people in crashes, they are almost 6 times more likely to suffer a fatal or serious injury when involved in a crash.
- Over half of all passenger vehicle occupants killed in a crash from 2004 through 2013 were not wearing a seat belt.
- 91 percent of unrestrained fatalities and serious injuries occur in rural areas.



What is MDT's Traffic & Safety Bureau doing with this information?

Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP):

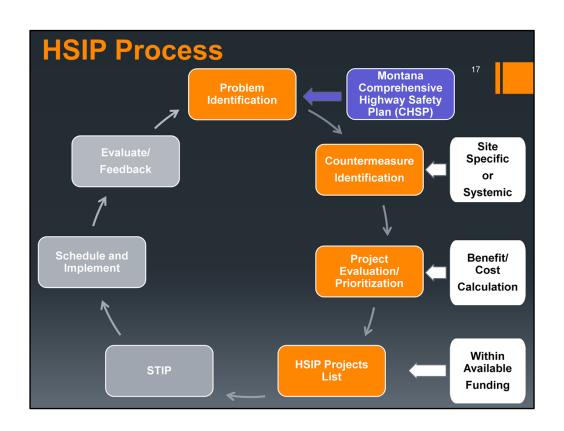


- Core funding program under current highway bill (FAST Act).
- Purpose of achieving a significant reduction in fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads, including non-State-owned public roads and roads on Tribal lands.
- HSIP projects must be consistent with the CHSP.
- HSIP funding is eligible on all public roads.

Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP):



- Montana receives \$25 M (+/-) annually.
 - ➤ 100% Federal Funds (most projects are eligible for 100%; some are 90%/10% split
- Data Driven Projects identified based on crash experience, crash potential, crash rate, or other datasupported means.
 - Site specific safety projects.
 - Systemic implementation of proven countermeasures thru projects and design guidance.





In 2012, criteria selected for the HSIP included severity index, severity rate, severe injury crashes, rural intersection related crashes, commercial vehicle crashes, and requests from outside agencies.

Field reviews are looking for locations with an identified engineering improvement to address a crash trend.

Site Specific Safety Projects:

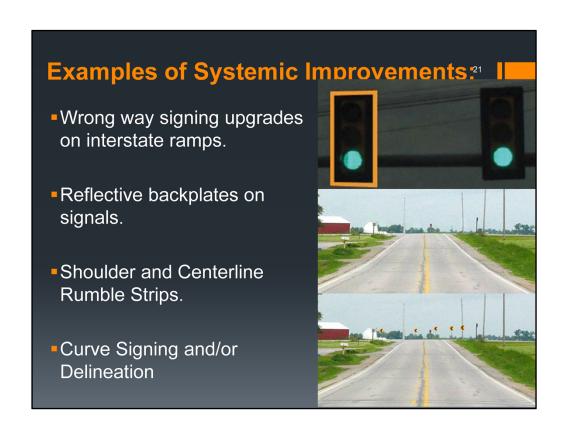


- Complete cost estimates and benefit/cost calculations for identified engineering improvement.
- Rank proposed locations based on benefit/cost.
- •Move forward with projects with highest benefit/ cost within funding constraints.

B = ANNUALIZED REDUCTION IN ACCIDENT COSTS

C = ANNUALIZED CONSTRUCTION COSTS PLUS INCREASED MAINTENANCE COSTS





Potential to complete systemic improvements on local roads, including delineation and signing.



Program is data driven. Locations submitted for consideration will have to compete with other locations throughout the state.



Safety Data/Analysis Tools

- Safety Information Management System
- Roadway Departure Study
- Intersection Safety Study

Safety Information
Management System (SIMS)

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Summary of New System

• Why the change in systems?

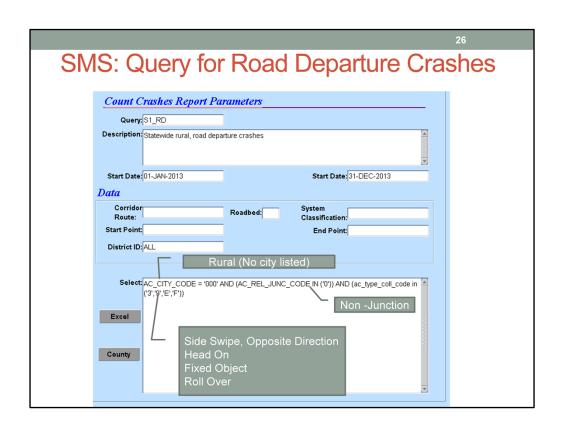
- New MHP data collection system (Smartcop) 2008.
 - Not compatible with the historic Montana Accident Reporting System (MARS) and Oracle System.

Next Steps

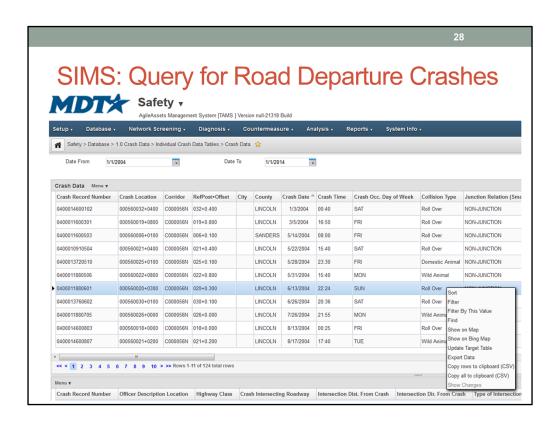
COTS Product – Safety Information Management System (SIMS)

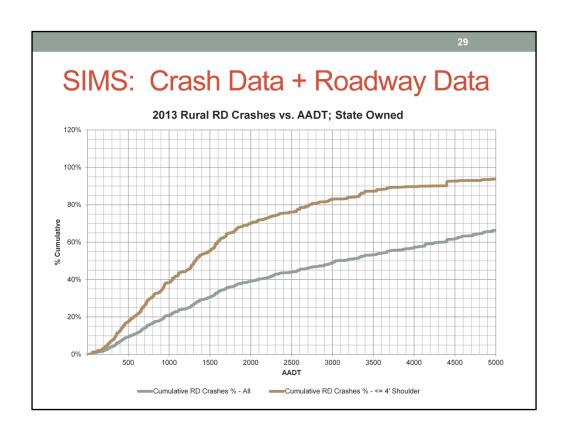
• What is SIMS?

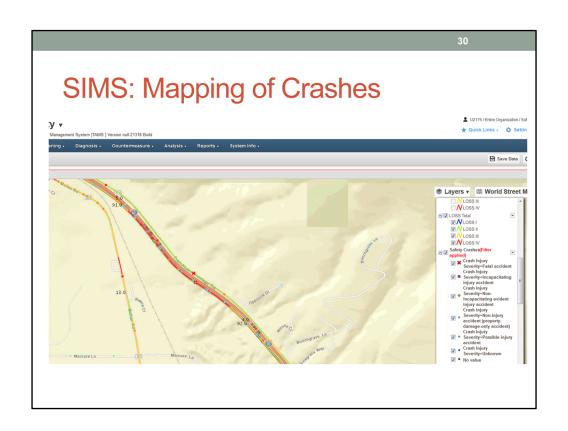
- New database and data store.
- New front end, easy to use user interface.
- New daily automated interface into the DOJ crash database.

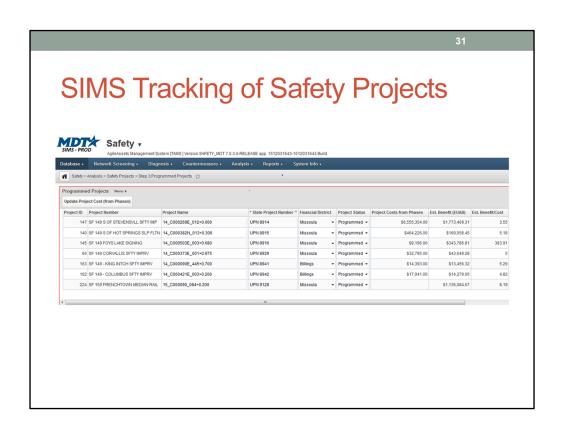


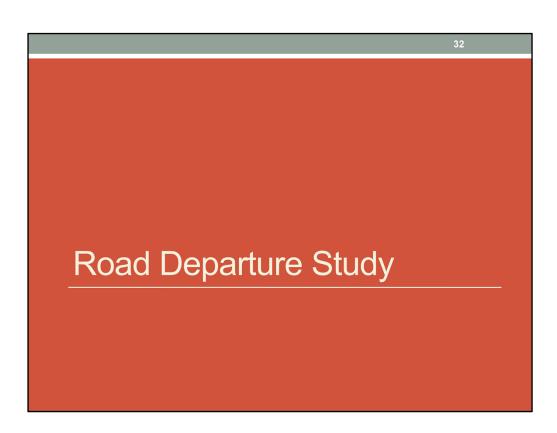
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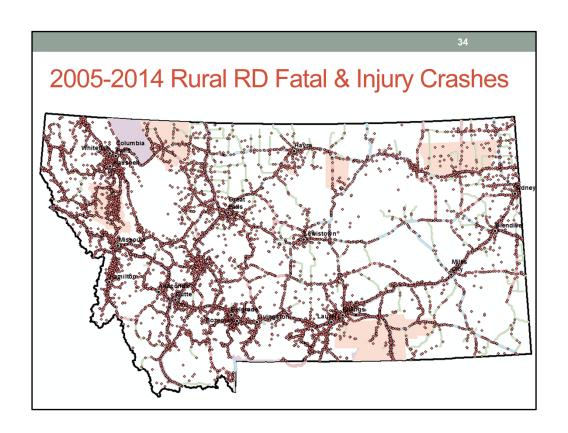




2005-2014 RD Crash Data

- · 211,800 total crashes statewide in a 10-year period
 - 11,350 fatal and serious injury crashes
- Over 70% of the fatal and serious injury crashes in rural areas (8,000 crashes)
 - RD crashes are 74% of fatal and serious injury crashes in rural areas (5,900)
- Rural RD crashes as compared to all statewide crashes:
 - 23% of total crashes
 - 62% of fatal crashes
 - 52% of fatal and serious injury crashes

2014 Data is preliminary.



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How To Measure Safety?

Crash Rate is the Most Common Measure of Safety

Some of the data presented is from Colorado.

Crash rate = Number of crashes per million vehicle miles.

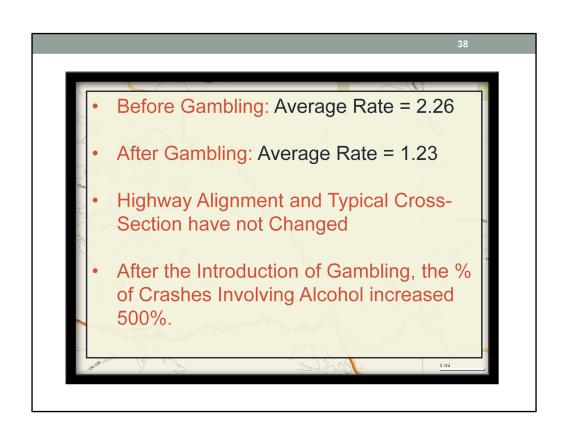
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How To Measure Safety?

Rate = #Crashes x 1,000,000 AADT x 365 x Length

Let's examine this application....





How To Measure Safety?

- So the question is:
 - Is drinking and driving combined with gambling good for highway safety?
- Probably not; but if crash rates are used as measuring device, one could conclude that it is.

Introducing – The Safety Performance Function (SPF)

- In order to understand how the crash rate is changing, a relationship between safety and traffic exposure is needed.
- This relationship is reflected by a safety performance function (SPF).
- The SPF models provide an estimate of the normal or expected crash frequency and severity for a range of AADT among similar facilities.

The assessment of the magnitude of safety problems on highway segments has been refined through the use of Safety Performance Functions (SPF). The SPF reflects the relationship between traffic exposure measured in Average Annual Daily Traffic (AADT), and crash count for a unit of road section measured in crashes per mile per year. The SPF models provide an estimate of the normal or expected crash frequency and severity for a range of AADT among similar facilities.

From SPF's to – Level of Service of Safety (LOSS) Why is it needed?

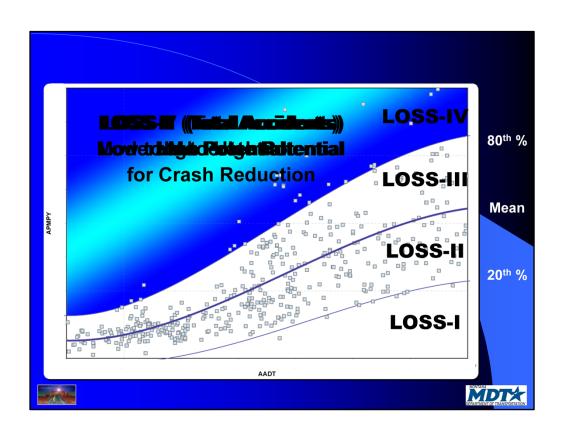
- Qualitatively and quantitatively describe the degree of safety of a roadway segment
- Communicate the Magnitude of Safety Problem of a Roadway Segment or Intersection to Other Professionals, Elected Officials, Law Enforcement, the Press, or the Traveling Public
- Bring perception of roadway safety in line with reality of safety performance reflecting a specific facility

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From SPF's to – Level of Service of Safety (LOSS)

Why is it needed?

- Provide a Frame of Reference for Decision Making on Non-Safety Motivated Projects (Resurfacing or Reconstruction)
- Provide a Frame of Reference from a Safety Perspective for Planning Corridor Improvements



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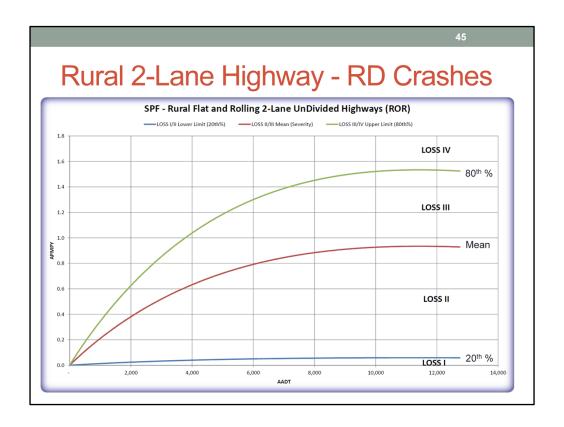
Montana Specific Roadway Segment Models

Montana-Specific Predictive and Diagnostic Tools

SPFs, Level of Service of Safety (LOSS) Boundaries and Diagnostic Menus were

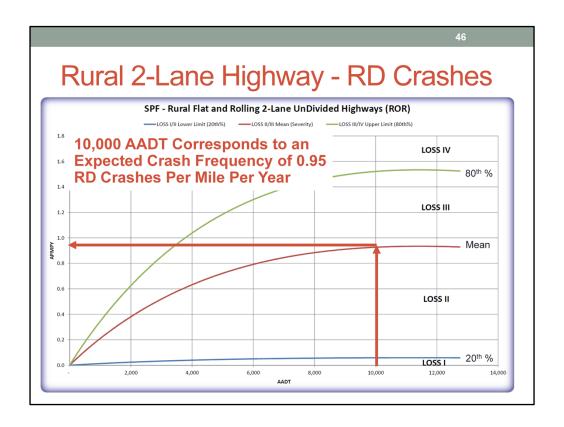
developed for the following facilities:

- Rural Flat and Rolling 2-Lane Highways
- Rural Flat and Rolling 4-Lane Highways
- Rural Flat and Rolling 4-Lane Freeways
 - Rural Mountainous 2-Lane Highways
 - Rural Mountainous 4-Lane Freeways
 - Urban 4-Lane Freeways
- Roadway Departure Crashes Safety Performance Functions for RD only crashes were also developed for:
 - 2-Lane Rural Flat and Rolling Highways (ROR)
 - 4-Lane Rural Flat and Rolling Divided Freeways (ROR)
 - 2-Lane Mountainous Highways (ROR)



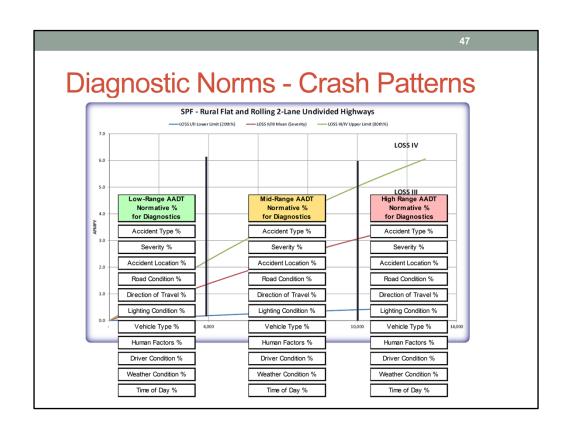
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- Road Departure Crashes (Head On, SSOD, Fixed Object, Rollover)
- Road Departure Fatal and Injury Crashes



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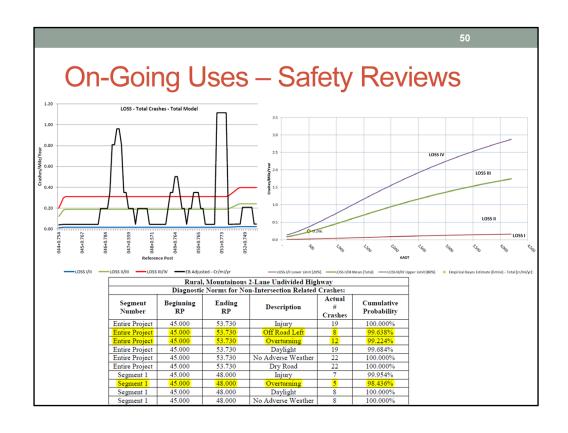
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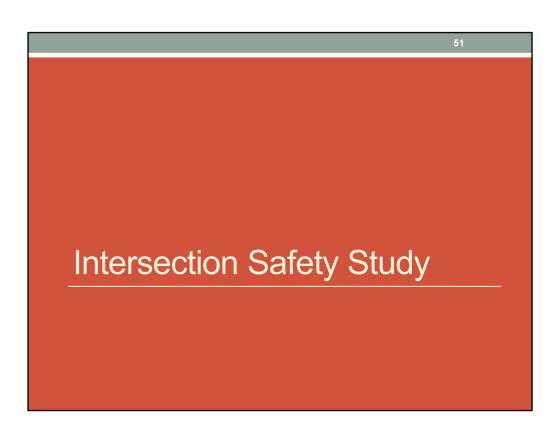


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| Severity | | | | | | | | |
| PDO | 6,951 | 66.96% | 2,320 | 73.14% | 470 | 76.42% | 9,741 | 68.75% |
| INJ FAT | 3,157 273 | 30.41% 2.63% | 798 54 | 25.16% 1.70% | 140 | 22.76% 0.81% | 4,095 332 | 28.90% |
| Persons Injured | 4.585 | 2.63% N/A | 1,124 | 1.70% N/A | 214 | 0.81% N/A | 5.923 | 2.34% N/A |
| Persons Killed | 307 | N/A | 62 | N/A | 6 | N/A | 375 | N/A |
| Persons Killed | 307 | IN/A | 62 | IN/A | | IVA | 3/5 | IVA |
| Number of Vehicles | | | | | | | | |
| | 0.070 | 87.46% | 0.407 | 78.40% | 388 | 63.09% | 44.054 | 84.37% |
| Single Vehicle Accidents Two Vehicle Accidents | 9,079 | 11.72% | 2,487 622 | 78.40% 19.61% | 194 | 31.54% | 11,954 2.033 | 14.35% |
| Three or more Vehicle Accident | 85 | 0.82% | 63 | 1.99% | 33 | 5.37% | 181 | 1.28% |
| Unknown Number of Vehicles | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% |
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| Location | | | | | | | | |
| On Road | 5.524 | 53.21% | 1.947 | 61.38% | 427 | 69.43% | 7.898 | 55.75% |
| Off Road | 3,041 | 29.29% | 671 | 21.15% | 82 | 13.33% | 3.794 | 26.78% |
| Off Road Left | 1,275 | 12.28% | 242 | 7.63% | 31 | 5.04% | 1,548 | 10.93% |
| Off Road Right | 1,766 | 17.01% | 429 | 13.52% | 51 | 8.29% | 2.246 | 15.85% |
| Off Road at Tee | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% |
| Off Road in Median | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% |
| Unknown Road Location | 1,816 | 17.49% | 554 | 17.47% | 106 | 17.24% | 2,476 | 17.48% |
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| Accident Type | | | | | | | | |
| Overturning | 2,968 | 28.59% | 490 | 15.45% | 53 | 8.62% | 3,511 | 24.78% |
| Other Non Collision | 337 | 3.25% | 98 | 3.09% | 8 | 1.30% | 443 | 3.13% |
| School Age Pedestrians | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% |
| All Other Pedestrians | 18 | 0.17% | 9 | 0.28% | 0 | 0.00% | 27 | 0.19% |
| Broadside | 152 | 1.46% | 82 | 2.59% | 21 | 3.41% | 255 | 1.80% |
| Head On | 135 | 1.30% | 71 | 2.24% | 15 | 2.44% | 221 | 1.56% |
| Rear End | 396 | 3.81% | 281 | 8.86% | 135 | 21.95% | 812 | 5.73% |
| Sideswipe (Same Direction) | 191 | 1.84% | 53 | 1.67% | 14 | 2.28% | 258 | 1.82% |
| Sideswipe (Opposite Direction) | 241 | 2.32% | 95 | 2.99% | 20 | 3.25% | 356 | 2.51% |
| Approach Turn | 7 | 0.07% | 7 | 0.22% | 4 | 0.65% | 18 | 0.13% |
| Overtaking Turn | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% |
| Parked Motor Vehicle | 29 | 0.28% | 12 | 0.38% | 2 | 0.33% | 43 | 0.30% |
| Railway Vehicle | 4 | 0.04% | 1 | 0.03% | 0 | 0.00% | 5 | 0.04% |
| Bicycle | 2 | 0.02% | 1 | 0.03% | 0 | 0.00% | 3 | 0.02% |
| Motorized Bicycle | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% |
| Domestic Animal | 468 | 4.51% | 55 | 1.73% | 5 | 0.81% | 528 | 3.73% |
| Wild Animal | 2.653 | 25.56% | 1.127 | 35.53% | 229 | 37.24% | 4.009 | 28.30% |

On-Going Uses

- Used in the SIMS for development of the Annual HSIP List.
- 2015 List Criteria:
 - Road Departure Severity Model (Fatal and Injury Crashes);
 - LOSS IV (high potential for crash reduction);
 - Minimum of 5 crashes
- 2016 HSIP List:
 - Used during diagnostic review / office review





Intersection Safety Study

- Intersection Safety Study uses the same concepts as the Roadway Departure Study
 - Same Level of Service of Safety (LOSS) concept
 Considering the magnitude of the safety issue
 - Montana specific SPF Models for various intersections
 - Utilizes the diagnostic norms
 ✓ Analyzing the nature of the safety issue
 - One major difference is the side street volumes need to be factored into the equations

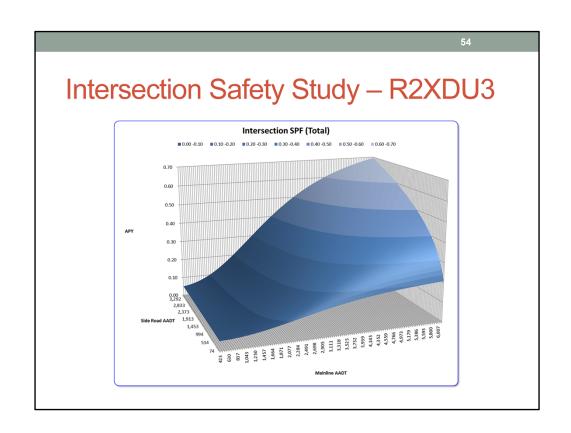
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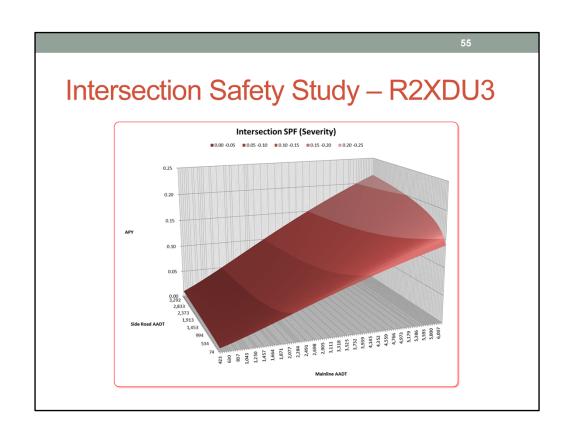
The Safety Performance Function of an Intersection can be viewed Mathematically as a 3-Dimensional Response Surface, where:

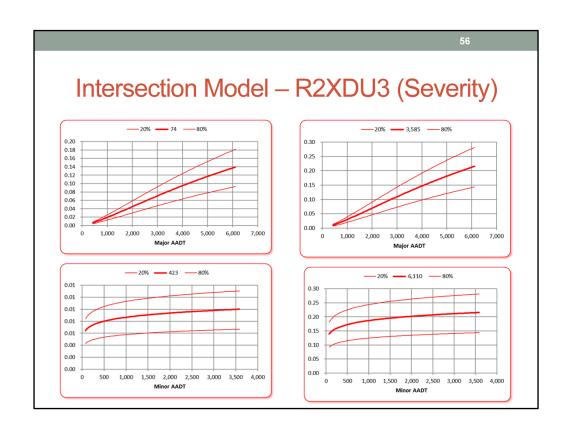
Crashes/Year =
$$f(ADT_{Mainline}, ADT_{Side\ Road})$$

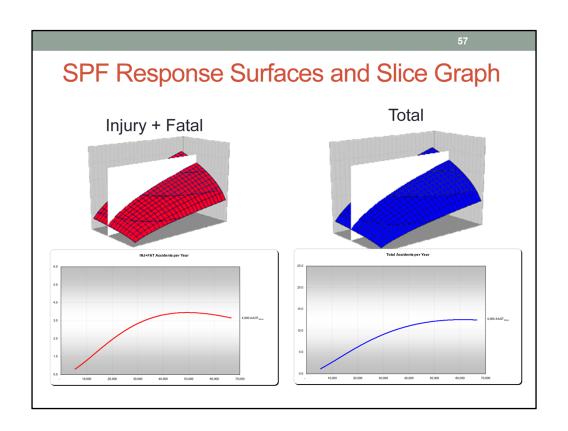
Montana - Rural 2-Lane Divided UnSignalized 3-Leg (R2XDU3)

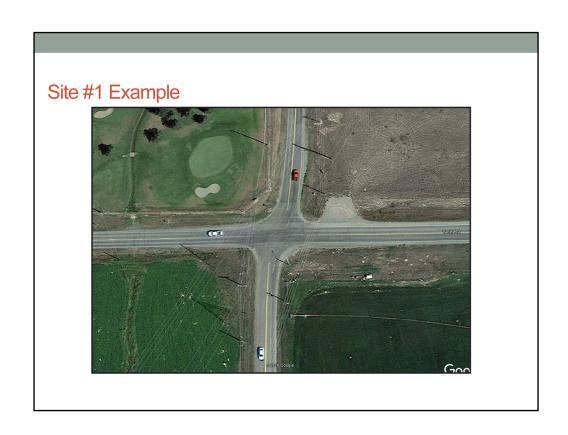
$$APY_{Sigmoid} = \gamma \left(\beta_0 + \frac{\beta_1}{\left(1 + \beta_2 \left(\frac{AADT_{Major}}{10,000}\right)^{-\beta_2}\right) \left(1 + \beta_4 \left(\frac{AADT_{Minor}}{10,000}\right)^{-\beta_5}\right)} \right)$$

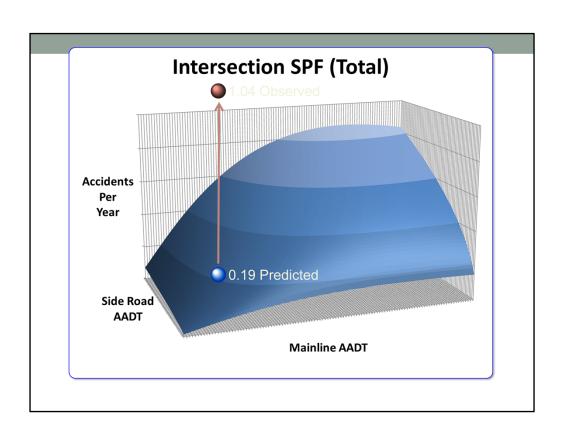






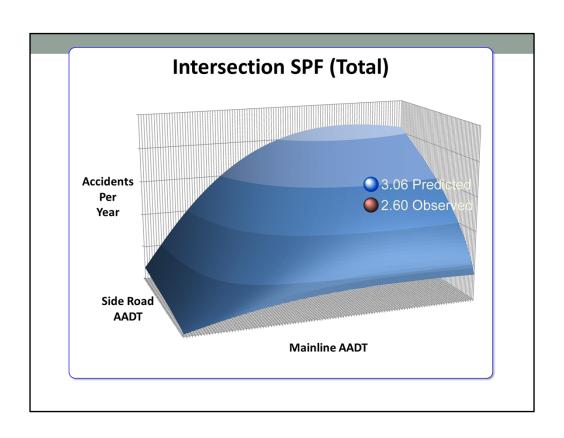


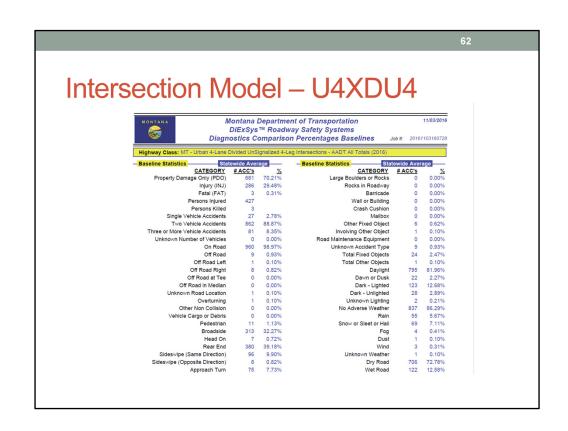




Site #2 Example







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Intersection Safety Plan

- Ten various intersection types have Montana specific SPF models developed
 - 1 Rural 2 Lane Divided Unsignalized 3 Legs
 - 2 Rural 2 Lane Divided Unsignalized 4 Legs
 - 3 Rural 2 Lane Undivided Unsignalized 3 Legs
 - 4 Rural 2 Lane Undivided Unsignalized 4 Legs
 - 5 Urban 2 Lane Divided Signalized 4 Legs
 - 6 Urban 2 Lane Divided Unsignalized 3 Legs
 - 7 Urban 4 Lane Divided Signalized 3 Legs
 - 8 Urban 4 Lane Divided Signalized 4 Legs9 Urban 4 Lane Divided Unsignalized 3 Legs
 - 10 Urban 4 Lane Divided Unsignalized 4 Legs



Future Plans for the HSIP

- Intersections
 - Begin to utilize the safety performance functions for the 10 intersections that have been developed.
 - 15 additional Montana Intersection Safety Performance Functions are forthcoming.

Future Plans for the HSIP / Safety

- Roadway Segments and Intersections
 - Continue to use the LOSS and SPF concepts in:
 - Development of future HSIP projects
 - Performing safety analyses for Department wide projects - where models available
- SIMS Expand integration w/ MDT roadway elements
- Media Campaign Roadway Departure
 - Summer 2015 Present

Questions and Discussion

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